

Attachment 3C(1)

**Explanatory Note for Food & Nutrition Service (FNS) Report
November 2, 2009**

The enclosed report includes the four FNS program areas that received funding under Division A of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Department of Agriculture Regulations implementing the National Environmental Policy Act provide for the categorical exclusion of these FNS (formerly Food & Consumer Service) programs (7 CFR Section 1b.4).

During the most recent period, July – September 2009, FNS obligated more than \$34 million in ARRA Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children funds for management information system grants; over \$2.76 billion for program benefits using ARRA Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program funds; and the remaining \$ 20,180 of ARRA State Child Nutrition Program funds for the purchase of food service equipment by schools. As of September 30, 2009 FNS has obligated 100 percent of the ARRA State Child Nutrition Program funds.

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